

## **Harry S. Stoker**

### **1850-1950 Centennial Biography**

Harry S. Stoker was born in Doncaster, England, March 28, 1886, the son of John and Clara Swaby Stoker. At the age of seven, he emigrated with his parents to Utah, making his home in Lehi.

He received his education in the Lehi schools. He declared the two men in particular who wielded great influence in his life and became his ideals were: Andrew A. Anderson President of the Deacons Quorum and Andrew Fjeld, Superintendent of the Sunday School.

As a young man, Harry worked in the laboratory of the Lehi Sugar Factory, continuing until he was made chief chemist. He married Janet Gilchrist in the Salt Lake Temple June 24, 1908.

March 17, 1920, he left his wife and four small children for a mission in England. He labored for four months in the Eastern States Mission awaiting transportation, finally arriving in England in July 1920. He first labored in London then in the vicinity of his birth place, President George Albert Smith, being his mission president. Prior to his return, Harry made a brief tour of continental Europe, arriving home in April 1922.

He entered into the poultry business. In the Church, he was active in the Sunday School Superintendency, as President of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association, on the Missionary and Genealogical Committees, and at present is a member of the 127th Quorum of Seventy.

He was of a friendly nature, had a strong testimony of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and loved his fellow men.